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The claims are amended to avoid the "objections. To expedite allowance at the late phase of prosecution, claims are cancelled to stress the main features of the case. Applicants maintain that identification of a central area is disclosed in the 1996 parent applications and that use of a beam splitter with any laser is also in all the parent disclosures as well as use of a diffraction device with any laser in 1996 to form sub beams and a central beam.

In HORIBA there is no teaching of lasers or a teaching of identification of the edge of the field of view; DARRINGER teaches identification of only the center of the field of view and also does not teach identification of edges, since no beams are directed to the edges. Accordingly, these references do not suggest use of multiple lasers to identify the edges of the field of view. There are no multiple laser beams used in these references.

Further consideration is requested.

Respectfully,



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